

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace, without prejudice, all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A titanium copper alloy having excellent strength and bendability comprising 1.0 to 4.5% by mass of Ti, the balance of copper and inevitable impurities, wherein:

the diameter of intermetallic compound particles consisting of Cu and Ti precipitated in the alloy is 3 μm or less;

the average number of said intermetallic compound particles having a diameter of 0.2 to 3 μm is 6 to 700 ~~or less~~ per a cross-sectional area of 1000 μm^2 in a direction transverse to a rolling direction;

the average grain size measured in a cross-sectional area in a direction transverse to a rolling direction is 8 μm or less; and

the alloy tensile strength is 890 MPa or more.

2-7. (canceled).